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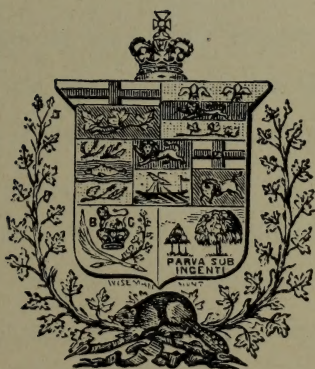


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THIRD REPORT
OF
The Executive Committee
OF THE
Canadian Patriotic Fund Association
TO
HIS MAJESTY THE KING

FROM

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FROM JANUARY 12TH, 1904, TO FEBRUARY 28TH, 1906.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

1. The First Report of this Committee embraced the period from the organization of the Association on the 12th January, 1900, to the 31st March, 1902. The Second Report covered the period from the 1st April, 1902, to the 12th January, 1904. The present Report extends from the 12th January, 1904, to the 28th February, 1906, thus completing the transactions of the Association for a period of upwards of six years from the date of its organization.

2. Since the publication of the Second Report of this Committee, the Right Hon. Earl Grey, G.C.M.G., Governor-General of Canada, has succeeded the Right Hon. the Earl of Minto, G.C.M.G., &c., as President of the Association, and the following changes have taken place in the office of Vice-Presidents, viz:—His Honour D. A. McKinnon succeeds P. A. McIntyre as Lieutenant-Governor of Prince Edward Island. Mr. W. W. B. McInnes succeeds Mr. F. T. Congdon as Commissioner of the Yukon, and Major F. S. Maude, C.M.G., D.S.O., a member of the Executive and Relief Committee, has been succeeded by Colonel Hanbury Williams, C.V.O., C.M.G.

3. The general results of the work of the Association, since the date of its Second Report on the 12th January, 1904, may be briefly summed up as follows:—

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(a) Under Object (I), "Widows, orphans and dependents of deceased soldiers", five new cases have been attended to, and four old cases have been reviewed. The amount of money expended under this Object has been \$5,267.00, subdivided as follows :—Widows, \$2,435.00 ; orphans, \$1,832.00, and dependents, \$1,000.00.

For the three orphans, terminable annuities for the payment of ten cents per diem to each child until it attains the age of 18 years or until prior death thereto, have been purchased from the Imperial Life Assurance Company.

(b) Under Object (II) relating to soldiers only, seventeen new cases have been favourably considered, and thirty-four old cases have been re-opened and additional grants made. The expenditure under this head has amounted to \$14,107.60.

Of the seventeen new claims above referred to, the following schedule shows the nature of the disabilities of such soldiers, whether due to accident, wounds, sickness or other causes, viz :—

Accidents	4
Wounds.....	3
Affections of the Eyes.....	1
Affections of the Lungs	2
Blood poisoning.....	1
Lumbago.....	1
Rheumatism.....	2
Synovitis.....	1
Tuberculosis.....	2
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(c) No payments have been made under Object (III), "Dependents separated at home from soldiers on active service", during the period covered by this Report, as the war ceased prior to the issue of the last Report.

The total payments under Objects (I) and (II) of the Association from January 12th, 1904, to February 28th, 1906, amounted to \$19,374.60.

4. The Receipts and Expenditure from the 12th January, 1904, to the 28th February, 1906, were as follows :—

RECEIPTS.

Balance as shown on page 6 of Second Report	\$103,341 84
Interest accrued.....	6,879 62

EXPENDITURE.

Object I—Widows, orphans and dependents..	\$ 5,267 00
Object II—Invalided and disabled soldiers...	14,107 60
Management expenses—Publication of Reports, lists, assistance, stationery, &c... ..	488 15
Balance on 28th February, 1906.....	90,358 71
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5. The following statement shows the total receipts and the total amount expended in relief during the six years the Association has been in existence, and the balance still available for distribution, viz :—

Total contributions....	\$339,975 63
Total amount expended in relief, viz :—	
Object I—Widows, orphans and dependents.	\$83,316 98
“ II—Invalided and disabled soldiers...	161,663 79
“ III—Dependents separated at home....	31,999 00
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	276,979 77
Balance of unexpended contributions.....	\$62,995 86
Add accrued interest.....	\$31,687 82
Less management expenses for publication and distribution of Reports, lists, &c., assist- ance, stationery, &c.....	4,324 97
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	27,362 85
Total amount available for distribution, February 28th, 1906	\$90,358 71
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6. From the foregoing statement it will be observed that the contributions, amounting to \$339,975.63, coupled with the interest accretions of \$27,362.85, made available for purposes of relief for the Canadian soldiers and their dependents the large sum of \$367,338.48. Of this amount \$276,979.77 have been distributed, leaving a balance still available of \$90,358.71.

From the last named sum awards however have been made which are payable in instalments at stated periods, and the unpaid portions of these awards amount to \$3,750.00.

Deducting these unpaid awards of \$3,750.00 the balance would be reduced to \$86,608.71, and the amount distributed in relief increased from \$276,979.77 to \$280,729.77.

7. In connection with the above statement, it may be interesting to know that the total expenses of management of the affairs of the Association, since the date of its organization on 12th January, 1900, to the present date, only amount to \$4,324.97, or about $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1 per cent. per annum on a total expenditure of \$281,304.74 for relief and management. Nearly one-third of the management expenses were caused by printing a complete list of subscribers to the Fund, in accordance with the promise made when subscriptions were first asked for.

The cost of management of the Royal Commission of the Patriotic Fund in England is placed at 4 per cent. per annum upon the expenditure.

8. During the past six years, relief has been given to the following number of cases under each object, viz :—

Object I—18 widows, 27 orphans and 73 dependents.....	118 cases
“ II—629 invalided or disabled soldiers.....	629 “
“ III—342 dependents separated at home	342 “
Total number of cases favourably considered	1,089 “

9. The resolution of the Executive Committee, which was referred to on page 13 of the Second Report of the Association, namely, “That no new claims would be considered after the 31st December, 1904, except the claims of widows whose

husbands had been assisted by the Association within two years from said date" was reconsidered at a meeting of the Executive Committee, held on the 12th April, 1905, and it was decided that the time for considering new claims be extended to 31st December, 1905.

10. With reference to the case of certain widows to whom increased gratuities were suggested as advisable, owing to the issue of pensions by the Imperial Government being limited to those whose husbands died within twelve months after the date of their discharge, the Relief Committee have acted in accordance with the suggestions contained in paragraph 14 of the Second Report of the Executive Committee.

D. T. IRWIN,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary.

GREY,
President.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

THIRD REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF THE CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND ASSOCIATION.

OTTAWA, 28th February, 1906.

TO THE CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND ASSOCIATION,—

We beg to report that, under your direction, we have completed the examination of the book accounts and records of the Canadian Patriotic Fund Association from the date of a previous audit, January 12th, 1904, to February 28th, 1906.

We find on examination that all regulations governing payments which have been passed by the Executive since our last audit have been fully carried out by the officers of the Association, and that all applications for relief were sanctioned by the Relief Committee before payment was made.

In our previous report mention was made of a new regulation of the Executive which empowered the Relief Committee to purchase life annuity bonds. Three new cases have been dealt with in this manner. We find that in purchasing these annuities, tenders were called for in each case, and where contracts were entered into, bonds have been received and deposited with the Association.

The payments for publishing the reports and for management expenses have all been authorized by the Executive, and vouchers have been supplied in each case, certified by the proper person.

The Bank of Montreal has added interest half-yearly from October 31st, 1903, to October 31st, 1905, at $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ calculated on the daily balance. We have examined the amount accrued during that period and find it correct.

The balance as shown by our last report was \$103,341.84 ; the interest allowed by the Bank to October 31st, 1905, is \$6,879.62, making a total of \$110,221.46.

The total expenditure during the period covered by this report is \$19,862.75, made up as follows :—Relief to widows, orphans and dependents, \$5,267.00 ; invalided and disabled soldiers, \$14,107.60 ; and management expenses, including the publication of reports, \$488.15, leaving a balance of \$90,358.71 to the credit of the Association on February 28th, 1906, as shown by the Bank pass-book.

It may be added that in this examination, as in previous ones, all records, correspondence and vouchers were placed at our disposal by the officers of the Association, and all required information was freely given.

J. FRASER.

W. J. ANDERSON.

